

## **Camp Navajo Stakeholder Advisory Board (SAG) Meeting**

Wednesday, June 4, 2003  
11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Camp Navajo Administration Building  
Bellemont, AZ

### **Minutes**

#### **Members in attendance**

Alan Anderson, Coconino National Forest  
Denise Baker, USFWS  
LTC Tim Cowan, Camp Navajo  
CPT William Fay, DEMA  
Shaula Hedwall, USFWS  
Michele James, Grand Canyon Trust  
Lee Luedeker, AGFD  
Tom Scott, City of Flagstaff  
LTC Pete R. Tosi, Camp Navajo  
Randy Wilkinson, NGB

#### **ADEQ Staff in attendance**

Stacy Duffy, Project Manager  
Alex Zavala, community Involvement Coordinator

#### **Interested Parties**

Tom Parker, DEMA Environmental  
Linda Pollock, Attorney General's office  
Dr. Marty Rozelle, Brown & Caldwell team  
Richard Twidwell, member of the public

#### **Members Absent**

Tom Britt, member of the public  
Duane Miller, member of the public

The following acronyms may be used throughout this document:

ADEQ	Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
AGFD	Arizona Game and Fish Department
AZARNG	Arizona Army National Guard
DEMA	Department of Emergency and Military Affairs
NGB	National Guard Bureau
OB/OD	Open Burning/Open Detonation
QAPP	Quality Assurance Project Plan
SAG	Stakeholder Advisory Group
USFWS	U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
UXO	Unexploded ordnance

The following matters were discussed, considered, recommended, and/or decided:

1. ***Welcome and Introductions***  
Lee Luedeker, Co-chair, welcomed everyone to the Camp Navajo SAG meeting. Each attendee introduced himself/herself. Alex Zavala will be leaving ADEQ July 3, 2003. Dr. Marty Rozelle will take notes of this and future SAG meetings.
2. ***Review of Previous SAG Meeting Minutes***  
Revised minutes from the November 6, 2002, January 8 and April 9, 2003 meetings will be sent to everyone for final review prior to the next regularly scheduled SAG meeting.

#### Follow-up to issues from previous meetings

- Status of ADEQ contracting with a UXO expert – GEOPHEX-UXO has been selected and will be on call to review documents and make site visits at the direction of ADEQ. Jim Pastore, the UXO expert, will provide a written report after site visits, which ADEQ will share with the SAG.
- Tissue sampling data is still not available.
- The sample of perchlorate was held for 35 days, instead of the maximum of 28 days. Were the results compromised? Ms. Duffy acknowledged that this was a laboratory error. While perchlorate may start to deteriorate, it was determined that the hit was significant, and testing will continue.
- The background metals report is still in progress. The status of the EPA revised beryllium concentration has not been resolved.

### **3. *Review of SAG Mission Statement and Operating Procedures***

Mr. Wilkinson led this discussion. Since Ms. Zavala is leaving the ADEQ and the Brown & Caldwell team has facilitation and support capabilities, timing is right to shift some responsibilities and operating procedures. A marked-up copy of the Mission statement, with changes agreed to by the SAG, is found in Attachment A. Discussions about specific content is summarized below:

**Mission Statement.** No change.

**Basis and Authority.** No change

**Membership.**

Representation. The intent of SAG membership is that each agency will have one representative. Currently USFWS and Camp Navajo have more than one member. It was suggested that Shaula Hedwall serve as the USFWS member and Denise Baker attend the meetings and participate as an “interested party.” LTC Tosi will serve as the representative from Camp Navajo and the AZARNG. Stacy Duffy submitted her application to be added to the SAG as the ADEQ representative. Further discussion on this issue will occur at the next meeting.

Attendance. Members are expected to attend all meetings. If a member fails to attend two consecutive meetings, a written resignation may be requested. If no resignation letter is received two weeks prior to the next scheduled SAG meeting, the SAG may remove the member by majority vote of those members present at that meeting.

**SAG Structure.**

Elections. Annual elections for co-chair will be added to next SAG meeting agenda.

Open house. To date no open house has been held. Wording will be changed to say that the SAG may hold an annual open house.

Meeting agendas. Lee Luedeker as co-chair has agreed to facilitate the SAG meetings. Dr. Rozelle will take the minutes and help with the agenda. Anyone on the SAG may suggest agenda items directly to the SAG co-chairs. Agendas will have more detail. NGB will send the agenda to the SAG mailing list at least two weeks prior to the next meeting. They will post the agenda on their website and in their Tucson and Flagstaff offices, and mail it to their mailing list.

Comments. All SAG members will submit comments to ADEQ. ADEQ will prepare a comment package that includes all written comments, ADEQ comments and their responses. ADEQ may forward some comments to NGB for response. Once NGB's response is attached, the package will be complete, and ADEQ will make available to SAG members.

**Effective Dates and Amendments.**

This revision will constitute Amendment No. 1 and will be signed by the co-chairs.

**Terms and Conditions.** No change

**Termination.** No change

4. ***Site Update***

Mr. Wilkinson provided the following information:

- Background metals report – NGB is still discussing with ADEQ. Another one or two meetings are expected. There are no written responses yet.
- Soils Report for the OD Pits – ADEQ has commented on the report, and additional sampling due to perchlorate findings will be conducted. Brown & Caldwell is working on a surface and ground water monitoring plan. If additional sampling is done, it will likely occur after the monsoon season. Once comments are received from NGB, ADEQ will send the full comment package to SAG members.
- Tissue sampling on voles and mice – NGB has directed Harris Environmental to review the Jones & Stokes' draft report and address NGB's comments. The data in the draft report will remain as is. Once the Harris review is completed, SAG will be notified and it will be posted to the web site.
- Biological and Cultural Survey – NGB is attempting to get the electronic copy and post it to the web site. If this is not possible, anyone wanting a hard copy of this survey should contact Mr. Wilkinson. SAG members are invited to provide input for next steps.

**Action Item:** Mr. Wilkinson will email SAG members asking who wants a hard copy of the survey.

- Management Action Plan - NGB and ADEQ are currently reviewing the plan. Hopefully it will be added to the next meeting agenda.
- Master Plans - The QAPP, the Field Sampling Plan and Master Work Plan will be delivered to ADEQ for review soon.
- Waiver request – It was delivered to the Corps of Engineers electronically. It has already gone through technical review, so hopefully changes will be minimal. Have heard nothing. A signed waiver request will allow work to be done in the OB/OD area. The Brown & Caldwell team will be in the area between June 16 and June 30, 2003, to determine how much work can be done this season (once the waiver is approved).
- Fence Inspection - A crew will be escorted to inspect the south installation boundary fence, where there is some damage. They may need to go back in July to make repairs. The goal is to make quarterly inspections of the fence.

- Warning signs – Signs identifying the sub-munitions area will be placed at 200-foot intervals in a circle of a 3000-foot radius from the center point in the OD pits. The signs will be in English and Spanish.
- Owl survey – Planned for June 18 – 19 and 25 – 26, July 9 – 10 and 16 – 17. AGFD will be in the area in late June and will coordinate with NGB. Ms. Hedwall asked if the UXO crew is flexible to schedule more dates in the event of rain. Mr. Wilkinson replied that they would do whatever is needed to get the surveys done as close to protocol as possible.
- Chemical Canyon - A Harris representative will be escorted into chemical Canyon to look for biological and cultural resources. They are working on a decision document for the landfill in Chemical Canyon. The waiver discussed above is needed prior to doing this work.
- Hunter safety flyer- Another flyer is needed since the OB/OD boundaries were changed on after last one was sent. The change is posted on the Camp Navajo web site. A draft of the flyer will be reviewed at the next SAG meeting.
- Elk Sampling Protocol - A sub-group of the SAG will meet June 13, 2003, to develop the protocol for tissue sampling - targeting elk liver tissue. Sub-group members include: Stacy Duffy, Randy Wilkinson, Lee Luedeker, CPT Fay, Shaula Hedwall, Michele James, Denise Baker, and Tom Parker.

#### **5. *Call to the public***

Richard Twidwell is interested in soil remediation business opportunities. He will be added to the mailing list and was referred to the ADEQ and Camp Navajo web sites.

#### **6. *Next Meeting***

The next meeting will be July 30, 2003 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.